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I. INTRODUCTION:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 26, 2006, Applicant proposes to amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.